മിസ്റ്റർ വി. കെ. കുട്ടി : യൂറോപ്യൻ കമ്മിഷനർ ഉണ്ടെന്നു പറഞ്ഞ ലേഡി കാൻറിഡേറ്റ്സ് ആരാണ്?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* I don't no.

ERNAKULAM MUNICIPAL COUNCIL—NOMINATIONS TO

94. Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Jews-Nominated):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the names and the communities of the persons nominated to the Ernakulam Municipality;

(*b*) whether it was a practice to nominate a Jew to the Ernakulam Municipality;

(*c*) if the answer is in the affirmative, the reasons for not nominating a Jew to the Ernakulam Municipality now?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) 1. Dr. A. K. Menon, Civil Surgeon—General Hospital—Nayar.
2. Mr. R. Kochukrishnan, Advocate, Ezhuva.
3. Sreemathi K. Janaki Amma—Vala—Lady.
4. Mr. Stanley P. Louiz, Government of India Contractor and Planter, Anglo-Indian.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) There were other unrepresented and minority communities.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Jews-Nominated):* In making nominations does the Government consider the amount of tax paid by the various communities?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* No.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Jews-Nominated):* May I know whether the nominations referred to in (*a*) are not sub-divisions of major communities?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* Some of them are sub-divisions of major communities.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Jews-Nominated):* Does the Jewish community belong to any sub-division?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* No. These nominations can be made in rotation from among various communities.

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Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* May I know why you departed from the usual practice?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* In the first place there were other communities clamouring for nomination. In the second place we found that the Jewish community was getting it for a number of years, 12 years, and therefore, we thought that the demands of some other community should be satisfied.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* May I know whether there are any Municipalities and Panchayats where it is possible even to nominate a Jew other than Mattancheri and Ernakulam?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* As far as Panchayats are concerned I submit there is the possibility of nominating Jews to the Chennamangalam and Mala Panchayats. As far as municipalities are concerned these are the only two places and that is why we have been giving them nominations for all these years.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* May I know whether anybody from the Jewish community has been nominated to the Chennamangalam and Mala Panchayats?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* I want notice.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Jews-Nominated):* May I know whether Nos. 2 and 3 in sub-division (*a*) do not belong to the backward classes?

Mr. P. V. Paphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* Both of them belong to backward classes.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Jews-Nominated):* You could have meted out justice to the Jews by nominating either a Vala or an Ezhuva and nominating one from the Jewish community.

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* The Jews were nominated for 12 years. We wanted to give a chance to some other community.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* May I konw whether the Jews have got an existing and standing interest in Ernakulam Municipality?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* Yes. They have got as others.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* The Vala is a Hindu and the Ezhuva is a Hindu.

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Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* From their point of view an Ezhuva would not represent Valas and a Vala would not represent Ezhuvas.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Was any Jew recommended by the Diwan Peishkar for nomination to the Ernakulam Municipality?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* The Diwan Peishkar has recommended Jews, Valas, Mar Thomites, Jacobites. We have to make a judicious selection from that, because there are only four seats.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* For four seats he recommends twenty people?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* Yes; or even more.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* Is the question so burning with you now when the rights of the Jews are touched?

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Jews-Nominated):* In Ernakulam we have no representation whatsoever and with regard to Mattancheri the nomination is given to a Government servant. Please note that.

KUNNAMKULAM AND IRINJALAKKUDA MUNICIPALITIES—PARTICULARS REGARDING

95. Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* Will Government be pleased to furnish the following information regarding Irinjalakkuda and Kunnamkulam:—area of Irinjalakkuda Municipality and that of Kunnamkulam Town Council, population, the number of houses, number of houses taxed, the amounts of house-tax, the amounts of profession tax and the rates of tax?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):*

The necessary information is furnished in the statement appended *(Appendix IV).*

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):* I am sorry to submit that the statement so far as Kunnamkulam is concerned has not been printed. It is an omission. I have got it ready here.

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* The other day there was a suggestion that these appendices should be printed. But it was left out in the Press. It will be printed and distributed.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* I request, Sir, that the part omitted may be printed in the Proceedings.

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* Oh, Yes.

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